

ARGUMENTS / REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the initial review of the current case. Claims 1 through 27 are in this case and non have yet been allowed. The Examiner has issued a Restriction Requirement under 35 U.S.C. sections 121 and 372. The Examiner further contends the application contains "inventions or groups of inventions which are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1." The Examiner further requires an election among the following:

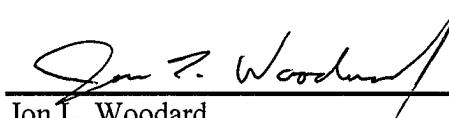
Group I, claim(s) 1-9, drawn to an implantable device with electrodes for **detecting** bioactivity, a wireless transmitter, a wireless receiver, and a switch.

Group II, claim(s) 10-27, drawn to an implantable device with electrodes for **stimulating** tissue, an energy receiver, and an information receiver.

In compliance with the Examiner's requirement, applicant elects Group I. As noted by the Examiner, claims 1-9 are drawn to the elected invention (see Restriction Requirement at paragraph 3(ii)). Claims 10-27 are withdrawn in further compliance with the Restriction Requirement.

Application believes the application is now in a condition for allowance and respectfully requests prompt allowances of claims 1-9. However, should there be any remaining matters regarding the current election that remain to be addressed prior to the issuance of a Notice of Allowance or prior to a further action on the merits, the courtesy of a telephone call to applicant's attorney, Jon L. Woodard, at 814-870-7664, is respectfully requested.

Respectfully Submitted,



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